

Amendment to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1-63 (Canceled)

Claim 64 (New) A spreader bar assembly for use with a conveyance device having a control element, said spreader bar assembly including a spreader bar; an arm connected to said spreader bar and having a longitudinal axis; and a hook mounted on said arm and adapted to be hooked to the control element of the conveyance device to connect the control element of the conveyance device to said spreader, further characterized by said arm being pivotally connected to said spreader bar, and by a spring urging said arm to extend from said spreader bar.

Claim 65 (New) A spreader bar assembly as claimed in claim 64, further characterized by a tether connector being formed integrally with said hook.

Claim 66 (New) A spreader bar assembly as claimed in claim 64, further characterized by a quick release member enabling release of said arm from said spreader bar.

Claim 67 (New) A spreader bar assembly as claimed in claim 64, further characterized by said hook being a snap hook.

Claim 68 (New) A spreader bar assembly as claimed in claim 64, further characterized by said hook being rotatably mounted on said arm for rotation about the longitudinal axis of said arm.

Claim 69 (New) A spreader bar assembly as claimed in claim 64, further characterized by said control element comprising a control bar adapted to be used with a wind-powered conveyance device.

Claim 70 (New) A spreader bar assembly as claimed in claim 64, further characterized by said control element comprising a control apparatus adapted to be used with a self-propelled conveyance device.

Claim 71 (New) A spreader bar assembly as claimed in claim 64, further characterized by a quick-release member enabling release of said hook from said arm.

Claim 72 (New) A spreader bar assembly for use with a conveyance device having a control element, said spreader bar assembly including a spreader bar; an arm connected to

said spreader bar and having a longitudinal axis; and a hook mounted on said arm and adapted to be hooked to the control element of the conveyance device to connect the control element of the conveyance device to said spreader, further characterized by a tether connector including a rotor member and a shackle member pivotally attached to said rotor member.

Claim 73 (New): A spreader bar assembly as claimed in claim 72, further characterized by a tether connector being formed integrally with said hook.

Claim 74 (New): A spreader bar assembly as claimed in claim 72, further characterized by a quick release member enabling release of said arm from said spreader bar.

Claim 75 (New): A spreader bar assembly as claimed in claim 72, further characterized by said hook being a snap hook.

Claim 76 (New): A spreader bar assembly as claimed in claim 72, further characterized by said hook being rotatably mounted on said arm for rotation about the longitudinal axis of said arm.

Claim 77 (New): A spreader bar assembly as claimed in claim 72, further characterized by said control element

comprising a control bar adapted to be used with a wind-powered conveyance device.

Claim 78 (New): A spreader bar assembly as claimed in claim 72, further characterized by said control element comprising a control apparatus adapted to be used with a self-propelled conveyance device.

Claim 79 (New): A spreader bar assembly as claimed in claim 72, further characterized by a quick-release member enabling release of said hook from said arm.